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Investigators find heart problems caused death

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. (AFPN) — An investigation into the death of Airman Basic Darryll Matthew Logans found that he died of natural caus-

Logans died during a Basic Military Training two-mile physical conditioning run here June 14.

The investigation found the cause of death was an abnormal heart rhythm (dysrhythmia) associated with a pre-existing enlarged heart, most likely caused by the trainee's long-standing history of elevated blood pressure. Medical authorities classified Logans' death as natural, because of a diseased heart, and not an accident.

"The tragic loss of (Airman Basic) Logans has had a deep and lasting effect on his family, friends and flight mates," said Maj. Gen. John F. Regni, 2nd Air Force commander.

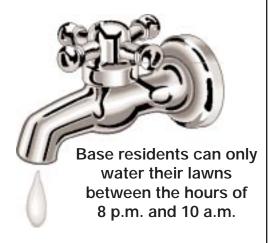
"(Airman Basic) Logans was 20 years old, athletic, motivated and performing satisfactorily during basic military training. He would have been an excellent airman in our Air Force. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and all who knew Matthew."

General Regni directed an investigation into the circumstances leading up to Logans' death. (Courtesy of Air Education and Training Command News Service)

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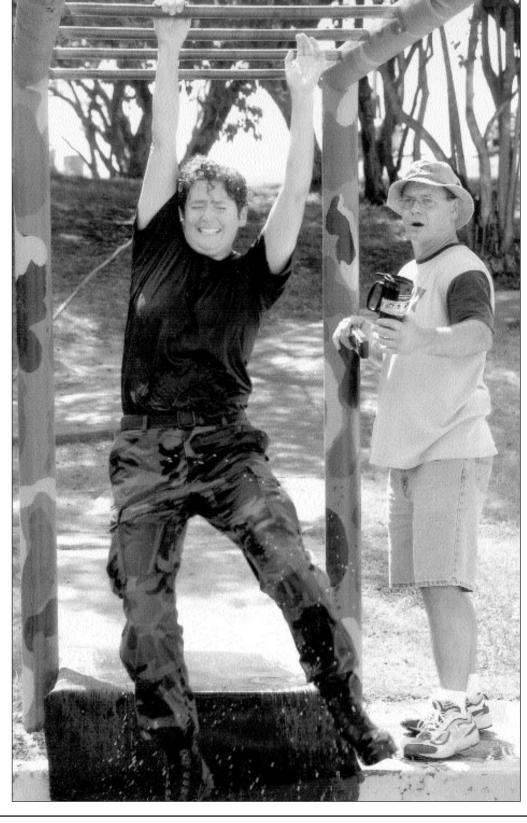


Photo by Robbin Cresswell

Got Latté?

A bystander appears to be offering Capt. Lynn Redman, from the 759th Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron, a mug of steaming-hot coffee during the obstacle course event during Combat Fun Day, Aug. 24. See more photos from the event on Page

AF to reinitiate Lackland A-76 study

Force announced Tuesday that it cancelled and will reinitiate the A-76 competition to provide base operations support services at Lackland Air Force Base.

Two companies, Lackland 21st Century Services Consolidated and Phoenix Management, Inc., were selected as the best value contractors and were determined to be more cost-effective than the government's Most Efficient Organization, or MEO, proposal. The government employees' appeal resulted in a reversal of the original decision.

However, information reviewed during the contractors' protest to GAO resulted in the original decision to contract out being upheld. Consequently, at the request of the Texas congressional delegation, the Department of Defense's Inspector General reviewed the A-76 process at Lackland. A follow-on review was conducted by the Air Force Audit Agency.

As a result of thorough review by DoD IG, AFAA, Air Education and

the Pentagon staff, the Air Force determined that while no violation of A-76 rules occurred, it was in the best interest of all parties concerned to cancel lined in Office of Management and the current solicitation and restart the A-76 study at Lackland.

An open meeting with the Lackland workforce was held Monday in the Bob Hope Theater. Maj. Gen. Michael N. Farage, 37th Training Wing commander addressed the gathering.

"I've told Air Staff and Air Education and Training Command that we're not going to start the A-76 process over until we're fully manned in both the civilian and military sides of the house," the general told the crowd. "You all have been working very hard at maintaining your mission focus, and I thank you for that."

According to Pentagon officials, statutory timelines allow up to 48 months for completion of multi-function studies such as A-76. However, such efforts could be complete in as lit-

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Air Training Command headquarters and tle as 24 months, officials said. A more specific timeline will be decided upon in the coming months

> The basis of this type of study is out-Budget Circular No. A-76, Commercial Activities Program. It compares the selected private industry cost/price with that of a MEO government cost proposal to provide various base services. The goal is to provide competition to perform services in the most cost-effective manner for the taxpayer.

> Since the program's inception, the A-76 process has provided the Federal government better ways to do business. Whether the government or private sector is chosen, there is generally a reduction in costs averaging between 30 and 40 percent, saving millions for America's taxpayers.

> These savings are reinvested in readiness, modernization and quality of life programs to ensure the Air Force is always prepared to accomplish its core missions.

Recruiting commander discusses service's outlook

By Airman Pamela Stratton

82nd Training Wing Public Affairs

SHEPPARD AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) — The Air Force's top recruiter talked about issues in his career field when he visited Sheppard recently to speak at a dental course graduation.

Brig. Gen. Duane Deal, commander of the Air Force Recruiting Service, talked about the Recruiters Assistance Program, the impact enlistment goals have on technical training schoolhouses, the shortage of volunteers for recruiting duty and efforts to get the recruiting program back on track after missing the annual goal in 1999.

"Our purpose is to find and recruit the best people for the job," said General Deal. "I see myself as a facilitator. I make sure the recruiters have everything they need to do their job, but they're the ones who actually go out into the communities, find future airmen and help them become a part of the Air Force team."

The Air Force currently has about 1,500 enlisted and 300 officer recruiters in 1.050 offices located in all 50 states and in six foreign countries.

"A decision was made recently to raise the number of enlisted recruiters to 1,650," the general said. "At the time, we were 450 recruiters short of this. It was deemed necessary to begin selecting NCOs for recruiting duty, even if they had not volunteered for the job."

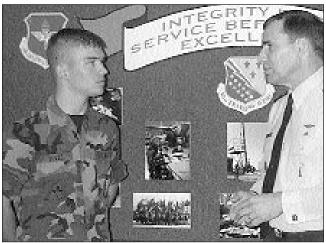
Three months ago, the Air Force began screening staff sergeants through master sergeant-selects to find potential recruiters.

"Once word got out that we needed recruiters badly and were screening all NCOs in the proper rank range, more and more people started coming forward to volunteer," said General Deal. "Of the 450 recruiters that we needed, only 34 non-volunteers were selected. The rest were people who may have been thinking about recruiting, but needed something to prompt them to volunteer."

Recruiters enjoy many benefits, he said. In addition to the \$375 per month they receive in special duty pay, there is the flexibility to be able to work in almost any geographical area.

"Seeing airmen return after technical training and seeing how the Air Force has changed their lives is one of the most memorable times for most recruiters," the general said.

Another new benefit for recruiters is TRICARE



Brig. Gen. Duane Deal, Air Force Recruiting Service commander, discusses the Recruiters Assistance Program with Airman 1st Class Matthew Boles, an information manager in the 82nd Support Group.

remote, which ensures they have access to quality health care no matter how far they are from an Air Force base.

"We want our recruiters to be taken care of," said General Deal. "More than half of them are over 100 miles from the nearest Air Force base, so they don't have all the resources close at hand that other military members do."

Even with the benefits, recruiters have a tough job, their commander said. For every Air Force recruiter there are 14 others from the Army, Navy and Marine Corps. Even though Air Force recruiters are outnumbered, they still bring in about twice as many people per recruiter than the other services.

One thing that helps ease the usually heavy workload for recruiters is the Recruiter's Assistance Program. RAP grants airmen up to 12 days of non-chargeable leave to work with a recruiter.

"RAP is a great program, and we believe in it very strongly," General Deal said. "The airmen benefit by getting to go home without being charged leave, and the recruiters benefit by having someone who is more on an applicant's level to talk about their experiences in the Air Force. I really don't see a downside."

Until recently, RAP was only open to airmen who were en route from technical training to their first permanent duty station. Gen. Michael Ryan, Air Force chief of or call 1-800-423-USAF.

staff, has since expanded the program to all ranks. Now, anyone may apply. Applicants' commanders and the recruiting squadron they plan to work for must approve the application. People can participate in RAP as many times as their commander will approve their leave.

RAP participants are a valuable tool for recruiters and they assist them in meeting their monthly goals, said the

"Applicants relate better to them. They can sell the Air Force in a way that the recruiters just can't."

Recruiters' goals are used as guidelines for the number of people they should put in the Air Force each month to maintain a balanced force with the right distribution of rank, age and skills. Sheppard, Lackland AFB, Texas, Keesler AFB, Miss., and other training bases are affected by recruiters' productivity, said General Deal.

"The people recruiters are putting in the Air Force today are the same people that will come to Sheppard six weeks later," he said.

"We need to maintain a steady influx of new airmen so that technical training facilities stay filled without being overcrowded. It's important to constantly replenish our forces in order to have the right amount of people with the right skills."

In 1999, annual non-prior service enlistment goals were missed for the first time in 20 years. The Air Force Recruiting Service achieved 32,068 enlistments, or 95 percent of its goal that year. While this exceeded the 31,300 enlistments in 1998, it was still an indication that something needed to be done to get Air Force recruiting back on track, said the general.

"We've increased the number of recruiters significantly and provided them with better offices, equipment and vehicles," he said.

"These changes have helped to bring the recruiting program back up to where it should be. In the Air Force, we are all recruiters. We all need to spread the message to potential airmen that joining the Air Force is one of the best career moves a person can make. We need to tell them we provide some of the best training in the world, deliver great benefits and, of course, that we're always hiring."

To learn more about joining the Air Force or about becoming an Air Force recruiter, visit

> www.airforce.com www.rs.af.mil

COMBAT FUN DAY CHRONICLES



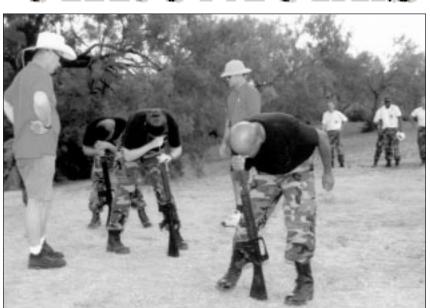
'Feets' of skill

Senior Airman Magleny Rendon, 859th Surgical Operations, leads fellow members downfield in the ski walk.



Croc Country!

Airman Jeffrey Szasz, competing with the 959th Medical Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron, crosses over perilous waters by balancing on a pair of wobbly parallel ropes.



Photos by Robbin Cresswell

Improper rifle maintenance

Master Sgt. Louis Martin, 859th Surgical Operations, whirls around a rifle as part of the combat course competition.



I believe I can fly!

Sgt. Alfredo Cervantes, 37th TRW Marine Corps Detachment, soars over the water trough in the rope swing.

343rd captures Combat Fun Day Crown

Teams representing their respective units competed on Aug. 24 during the 2nd annual Combat Fun Day. Squads vied for the coveted Commander's Cup by enduring the six events of the challenge: sumo wrestling, the Alamo, a relay, tug of war, combat course, and confidence course. When the dust finally settled, the 343rd Training Squadron stood as this year's champion. The 959th Medical Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron claimed the runner-up spot, while the 37th Transportation Squadron took home third place.



Give back our rope!

Capt. Tim Rentz spearheads the 59th Medical Operations Squadron team during a tug of war match.

Dietary Supplements: Ask your doctor to be sure

By Gerry J. Gilmore

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — People thinking about taking dietary supplements to pep up, bulk up or slim down ought to ask their doctor or other health provider first.

Dietary supplements can affect different people differently and may also interact adversely with prescription drugs, said Army Col. Mike Heath, the pharmacy consultant with the Office of the Army Surgeon General.

"It is in your best interest to talk to your health care provider before you take a dietary supplement," Colonel Heath said, "particularly if you know that you have a family history of heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, [or] asth-

Dietary supplements, which include so-called energy boosters, over-thecounter diet pills and bodybuilding drinks or mixes, can also pose risks for people not taking prescription drugs.

"Anytime you put a chemical in your body, your body metabolizes or digests it, and there can be potential side effects," he noted, to include allergic reactions.

Colonel Heath said energy-enhancing dietary supplements provide a caffeinelike boost, similar to how strong coffee affects the central nervous system.

"It is a stimulant — it gives you a 'buzz' and affects the heart and cardiovascular system in terms of raising your blood pressure and increasing the heart rate," he explained.

Colonel Heath recommends that military members not take dietary supplements, such as products containing the chemical compound ephedra found in some products, before engaging in strenuous physical activity.

"I'd caution them not to take these performance enhancing drugs or energy boosters and then go out and perform the PT test, particularly in hot weather," he said. "If you had some underlying problems, you could be setting yourself up for potentially serious side affects."

People should also be aware that, with the exception of vitamins, the Food and Drug Administration doesn't regulate dietary supplements the same way as it does prescription and other over-thecounter products, Colonel Heath said.

Under the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994, the dietary supplement manufacturer is responsible for ensuring that a dietary supplement is safe before it is marketed, according to the

(see http://vm.cfsan.fda.gov website).

The FDA is responsible for taking action against any unsafe dietary supple-



Before getting "juiced up" on dietary supplements, especially those containing ephedra, experts recommend that you consult a doctor.

ment product after it reaches the market, according to the website.

Generally, manufacturers do not need to register with FDA nor get FDA approval before producing or selling dietary supplements.

"There is no [FDA] standardization of quality control in terms of what is in" dietary supplements, Colonel Heath noted, adding that the potency of doses

and other inert additives can vary from batch to batch.

The bottom line, Colonel Heath said, is that dietary supplements are "chemicals you are putting into your body."

"How do you know, unless you ask someone qualified, whether or not these products can interfere with other drugs, to include any other over-the-counter products that you are taking?" he concluded.

Travis' Operation Nighthawk declares war on illicit drugs

By Senior Airman Jennifer Andrews

60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AFPN) — Returning to the base after a party or a night out at the movies may be a little alarming when people see flashlights shining into their vehicle and hear someone asking them to sign a form telling them to report for urinalysis testing.

But base officials here say that is what Operation Nighthawk is all about as the Air Force turns up the heat in its war on illicit narcotics.

"Operation Nighthawk was first conducted at Little Rock Air Force Base (Arkansas) in May 1999," said Col. William Orr, 60th Air Mobility Wing staff judge advocate here. "Since that time, the idea of conducting random urinalysis testing on members entering an installation between predetermined hours has been circulating through the Air Force."

Although Air Mobility Command has encouraged the use of weekend testing, there is no Air Force or AMC policy mandating this particular method of random testing. Each installation commander is responsible for determining what methods to use in conducting random urinalysis testing.

"The difference between Operation Nighthawk and other testing methods, such as dorm inspections and squadron testing, is the manner in which individuals are selected for testing," Colonel Orr said. "Rather than selecting a dorm at random or identifying a particular squadron for testing, members are selected based simply upon on their entering the installation during predetermined hours on a particular date."

Travis began its Operation Nighthawk mission July 15 with more than 100 people reporting to the Demand Reduction office for urinalysis testing.

"The purpose of Operation Nighthawk is to serve as one more weapon against illegal narcotic use," said 60th AMW Command Chief Master Sgt. Dan Johnson. "This adds one more tool to identify and remove drug users from the Air Force."

In addition to the random dorm and squadron testing, base residents here can expect more Nighthawk operations in the future.

"We've received more positive than negative responses to Operation Nighthawk," Chief Johnson said. "People like the idea of not targeting just dorms or squadrons. Anyone who came through the gates was tested."

While unannounced urinalysis may be a minor inconvenience for many and a major inconvenience to those who break the rules of acceptable behavior, Operation Nighthawk is here to stay.

"This is a good thing for Travis because it provides a mechanism for testing not only a particular class of individuals, such as dorm residents, but any military member entering the installation, regardless of which squadron they belong to or whether they live in a dorm, family housing or off base," Colonel Orr said. "Hopefully, by broadening the pool of individuals who are subject to random testing, the urinalysis program will have a greater deterrent effect, making members think twice before using illegal substances."



Courtesy photo

Officials at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., recently began an initiative to nab abusers of illicit drugs by conducting spot urinalyses after duty

LICE BL TTER

(Editor's note: Crime doesn't stop at the fence surrounding Lackland. It's up to Lacklanders to make a difference. You can help "take a bite out of crime" by reporting suspicious activities and people. This column will increase your awareness and encourage you to take positive steps to stop crime.)

the 37th Security Forces Squadron, took place during the past week at Lackland.

➤ There were two major vehicle accidents with minor injuries, and seven minor vehicle accidents with no injuries.

➤ Two vehicles were damaged. One was parked near Bldg. 5616, the other close to the Education Center.

➤ A thief skulked away with a purse The following incidents, reported by from the Wilford Hall Medical Center.

➤ Another robber walked off with a wallet from the WHMC dining facility.

➤ Around \$700 in jewelry was stolen from a room in lodging.

➤ A bathroom door was damaged in a dormitory room in Bldg. 1205.

➤ Four servicemembers were apprehended for underage drinking at the Skylark Recreation Center.

➤ A servicemember was apprehended

➤ About \$2,500 was stolen from a coin machine at the main exchange

Anyone who has information about criminal activity on Lackland Air Force Base should call the Security Forces Control Center at 671-2018. Callers may remain anonymous. To report emergen-

Veteran info warrior takes AFIWC reins

By Tech. Sgt. Marilyn Holliday

Air Intelligence Agency Public Affairs

Col. Richard "Rick" Stotts relinquished command of the Air Force Information Warfare Center to Col. Arthur "Wally" Wachdorf during ceremonies held Aug. 20 at Air Intelligence Agency on "Security Hill."

"No stranger to AIA and the AFIWC, Wally brings incredible experience to the fight," Maj. Gen. Bruce Wright, AIA commander, said about Colonel Wachdorf. "As commander of the 318th Information Operations Group, he commanded the Air Force's only IW-focused group responsible for the development of the art and science of information warfare. His choice, as Rick's replacement, was one of the easiest decisions I have had to make since I took command of AIA."

As AFIWC commander, Colonel Wachdorf will be responsible for a center that is engaged in a myriad of activities supporting its role as the Air Force information warfare executive agent. The AFIWC has about 1,000 military and civilian members.

"The Air Force is unquestionably in the front, not only in the DoD but in the United States of America, when it comes



Photo by Boyd Belcher

Maj. Gen. Bruce Wright, Air Intelligence Agency commander, hands the Air Force Information Warfare Center guidon to Col. Arthur Wachdorf, incoming AFIWC commander, during a change of command ceremony Aug. 20.

to information warfare," Colonel Wachdorf said. "Our business is important because like air power, you can either participate and work to dominate the skies, or in our case you can dominate the information operations domain — or the enemy will and you become the victim. So we'll continue to work to lead the way not only

for the nation but for the Air Force."

Members of the AFIWC are trained in the areas of operations, engineering, operations research, intelligence, radar technology and communications and computer applications.

The center's highly skilled members are dedicated to providing information war-

fare and command and control warfare capabilities to the warfighting Air Force major commands.

"This has been, and I know will remain, a team effort that continues to break new ground and fearlessly ventures into uncharted territory," said Colonel Stotts, who served as AFIWC commander for two years and retired following the change of command ceremony.

"The Air Force and our nation, needs that boldness because the enemy is real—ever present—and watchful for our lapses in vigilance. And in this new era of warfare, we've seen that we are ever under attack. We must be ready."

The AFIWC was activated on Sept. 10, 1993, by combining the Air Force Electronic Warfare Center and elements of the Air Force Cryptologic Support Center's securities directorate.

"I'd like to express my gratitude to the men and women of the AFIWC and give them my commitment to helping to lead them as we look forward to continuing to give America the kind of IW power that it needs in the future," Colonel Wachdorf said.

The colonel and his wife, Lorrae, have three children, Daniel, Dinah, and Hannah.

Commander's Action Line

Call 671-3333; actionline@lackland.af.mil; WHMC Action Line 292-4567

Action Line is your direct line for comments, questions, complaints and suggestions on how to make Lackland Air Force Base a better place to live and work.

Although Action Line is always available, the best way to resolve problems is through the chain of command. We've provided a listing of customer service telephone numbers you can call first to address problems.

If your concerns still can't be

resolved, please call Action Line or send them via e-mail. Items of general interest may be printed in the

recorded, so speak clearly and slowly. If you leave your name and telephone number you'll receive a return call. Having your name and number will also give us a chance to get more information, if needed, to solve the problem.



Maj. Gen. Michael N. Farage

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Transportation671-2855
Supply
Communications
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Patient Representative292-6688

Billy Mitchell Village & its problems

I would like to bring up several concerns regarding Kelly Annex, particularly Billy Mitchell Village military family housing. They include:

No. 1. Recently, there was a solicitor at my door. I called the Housing Office and they instructed me to call Security Forces. The solicitor had been signed on base by a master sergeant friend. The person at the Security Forces desk acted like I was calling from Mars. He had no idea where North Crickett Drive was located. Someone finally came.

No. 2. We only see security at the Kelly's General McMullen gate during duty change.

No. 3. I have personally witnessed vehicles speeding through the gate and increasing speed as they enter Kelly Annex. We need speed bumps. I have three children who cross the street to go to the park. One time, someone was speeding down the street, and I screamed "Slow down." He jammed on his brakes, stared me down, then took off.

No. 4. Why is there a civilian at the Billy Mitchell Village gate? I saw him flagging someone through, and he didn't even have his head out the gate shack. This is not a shortcut to Highway 90. Our children are at

No. 5. We would like direct access to the swimming pool at the Youth Center, but fences and gates make it almost impossible.

Thank you for voicing your concerns regarding Billy Mitchell Village. I have prepared a response to each issue you addressed:

No. 1. As you are most likely aware, door-to-door soliciting is not authorized on base. Any housing resident who comes in contact with a solicitor is asked to inform the individual that his presence is not authorized and then call the Security Forces Control Center at 671-2018 so we can dispatch a patrol to ensure they are

Talespinner. Your comments or questions will be

Photo by Ross Day

Col. Kenneth Smith Jr., 37th Support Group commander, addresses concerns of residents from Billy Mitchell Village family housing on Kelly Annex during an Aug. 20 "Town Hall" meeting.

escorted off the installation. Additionally, it is unacceptable for a Security Forces controller to tell you they have no idea where you are located. This training deficiency has been noted and corrective action has been taken to ensure professionalism.

No. 2. Please be assured that there is a patrol dedicated to the Billy Mitchell Village housing area around the clock. However, this patrol can not be everywhere at once. If you have a specific concern, you may call our control center, and if the patrol is not already dispatched on a higher priority complaint, they will respond immedi-

No. 3. We have recently deployed a speed trailer on North Cricket Drive to assist in public awareness about the speeding problem. I have also directed my patrols to run radar during peak hours of traffic and selective radar randomly throughout the rest of the day. I

am happy to say that speed bumps have been requested, and they should be installed by the end of September.

No. 4. As you know, Kelly AFB officially closed July 13. That eliminated Kelly's old main gate and the 36th street gate. A local security company was awarded a contract for security over KellyUSA, which includes the new gate on the south side of BMV. The South Gate will be open Monday through Friday, 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Additionally, large trucks will not be allowed to use Crickett as a thoroughfare to KellyUSA. The contract gate guards have been briefed on proper installation entry requirements.

These changes, combined with our traffic enforcement, should eliminate most speeding. However, as with any new issue, there are often growing pains while people learn the rules. The jurisdiction in BMV allows us to issue DD Form 1408 traffic citations.

These forms can be issued to military as well as civilian personnel, and they work on the points system versus fines. Once an individual accumulates a set number of points, their driving privileges on base will be revoked for a certain time. We are currently working with the San Antonio Police Department on the possibility of having them respond to issue tickets for non-affiliated civilians who are caught speeding.

No. 5. The pool and Youth Center now has a pedestrian gate for the safety and security of the Billy Mitchell Village community. The on-duty lifeguard has the key and will ensure it is accessible during pool hours.

We appreciate your feedback and suggestions. A town hall meeting was held on Aug. 20 to allow the residents of BMV to address their concerns over a variety of issues. The next town hall meeting will be held in November.

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Wilford Hall medical team comes to aid of young heart patient

By Debra Baldwin

315th Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office

CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. (AFPN) — Air Force people pulled together to give a 7-year-old Washington, D.C., boy, in need of a heart transplant, a life-saving flight. A C-17 Globemaster III, flown by reservists from Air Force Reserve Command's 315th Airlift Wing here, transported the boy from Washington to Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh.

The process of taking the boy from the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., to Pittsburgh started late Aug. 18 when a doctor at Children's Hospital called Lackland's Wilford Hall Medical Center to ask for help.

The doctor knew that the Air Force medical center had one of the two Extracorpareal Membrane Oxygenator machines in existence, and the only ECMO certified for flight. The boy had recently undergone heart surgery and needed a new heart. He had been put into a near-coma state and would die if he did not receive help soon, doctors said. The military responded to the need, making the mission a top priority.

"This was unusual in that there are only two places in the United States that have the equipment necessary to make this type of move," said Mark Mahar, senior duty officer in the Joint Patient Movement Requirements Center at Scott AFB, Ill. "We usually do one to three of these (missions)



Courtesy photo

Wilford Hall critical care team members care for a 7-year-old heart patient being transported from Washington to the Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh.

a year. Our regulations allow us to get involved if there is no other outlet available. That was the case here. We knew that it was necessary to take action."

The mission was coordinated through the JPMRC and the Tanker Airlift Control Center at Scott. Mission planners determined that a C-17 training mission, scheduled here, could be reconfigured to meet the flight and medical requirements. The calls were made to make it happen.

"We got the call for an urgent mission," said Col. Sharyn Rotterger, 315th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron commander.

"The flight and medical crews quickly reconfigured the aircraft and prepared for the take-off to San Antonio, where they would pickup a critical care team and the needed equipment. All of our people involved knew what this mission meant for this young boy and they were committed to make it happen."

When the C-17 arrived in San Antonio three and one-half hours later, the crew had to quickly figure out the logistics of getting all the needed equipment loaded and positioned for the mission. The biggest challenge was the ECMO stretcher, which is 6-feet long and weighs more than 1,000 pounds. It would hold the boy and all lifesustaining equipment.

"This was the first time I had seen this machine," said Tech. Sgt. Kenneth L. Plants, 315th AES charge medical technician. "We had to pick it up and move it from the ambulance onto the aircraft." The crew was told that the machine would have to be moved from the aircraft to the hospital and back again.

The Charleston aeromedical team and a nine-member critical care team from Wilford Hall, which included four doctors, respiratory therapists and critical care nurses, coordinated all their activities on the trip

the flight and medical requirements. The to Andrews AFB, Md., to pick up the patient.

After arriving at Andrews, the ECMO was unloaded as quickly as possible into an ambulance and taken to the Children's National Medical Center. The boy was then transferred from his bypass machine to the ECMO stretcher and taken to the aircraft.

While the critical care team prepared the child for transportation, the 315th AES aircrew prepared the aircraft for the flight to Pittsburgh.

"When we got the word they were headed back, we prepared ourselves to lift the ECMO stretcher onto the aircraft," he said. "We knew it would be hard this time with the patient strapped on it. We were lucky that the fire department at Andrews pitched in to help make the transfer."

The child had seven IV's connected and numerous tubes that required constant monitoring. His chest also had not fully closed from the open-heart surgery, so the teams monitored the situation closely during the flight to Pittsburgh.

"The flight went well from Andrews to Pittsburgh," said Maj. Florence Ray, 315th AES flight nurse. "The mother appeared nervous but calm and voiced her concern whether her son would get a heart in time. The CCT members were fabulous and very attentive. They are truly life-savers."

"Anytime you can help a child, it is wonderful," Major Ray said.

The boy has been placed on a waiting list for a new heart, and his family's insurance company is being billed for the move.



Photo by Ron Scharven

Barrel of fun

Jesse DeHoyos (left) and Tracy Faulkner, contractors with Tri-State Government Services, Inc., inventory hazardous waste turned in to the 37th Civil Engineer Squadron's Environmental new 90-day hazardous waste storage Hazardous waste is one of the 13 protocols that will be inspected during the upcoming Environmental Compliance and Management Program inspection Oct. 15-25. For more information about the upcoming internal ECAMP, contact Seth Smith, 37th Civil Engineer Squadron, at 671-5537.

Lacklanders to receive AEF briefings Sep. 13-14

By Wayne Bryant

Lackland Public Affairs

The Aerospace Expeditionary Force, also known as AEF, is a concept still a little new to many in the Air Force and some people have questions about the application of the concept.

Answers to those questions will be available Sept 13-14 at Lackland Air Force Base when a briefing team visits for several presentations as well as question and answer sessions at each briefing session.

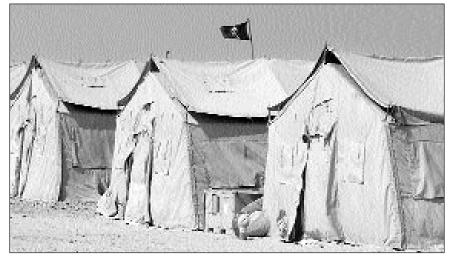
The team will spread the word on improvements in AEF Cycle 3, answer questions and get ideas from Air Force people on improvements to the AEF process. Lackland's visit includes briefings to senior leaders on the morning of Sept. 13, followed by six presentations for 37th Training Wing and 59th Medical Wing personnel on Sept. 13 and 14.

Briefings are set for Team Lackland people as follows: 37th TRW and 59th MDW personnel – Sept. 13 at 1 and 3 p.m. in the Bob Hope Theater.

59th MDW personnel — Sept. 14 at 7 and 8 a.m. as well as 3 and 4 p.m. in the Wilford Hall Medical Center auditorium.

The briefings are mandatory for 37th TRW and 59th MDW people assigned to an AEF bucket or identified to support an AEF tasking.

"Learning how the Air Force is deploying and sustaining our aerospace forces for military operations now and in the future makes each of us more valuable to our service,"



By Tech. Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

Those deploying with an Aerospace Expeditionary Force might find themselves billeted in accommodations similar to these tents at Cairo West Air Base, Egypt, during a past Bright Star exercise.

said Capt. TeAnglia Moore, 37th TRW Installation Deployment Officer, who is also the project officer for Lackland's visit.

"These briefings will make it possible to learn all you can about AEF and possibly even have some input to future changes," she said.

For instance, AEF Cycle 3, which begins in March 2002, will feature a "team" concept, where a base will provide a large number of people for one or two AEF deployments, instead of small

groups of people throughout the cycle.

That will change the impact that AEF deployments have on individual bases and units.

The briefing teams also want to let people know about the range of information available about the Expeditionary Aerospace Force (EAF) on the World Wide Web.

"EAF Online" provides position-specific information for deploying people, like "What will my duties be?" and "What training and equipment do I need?" The Web site lets commanders track the readiness status of all their people.

EAF Online can be accessed from computers in the "dot-mil" and "dot-gov" domains at:

https://aefcenter.acc.af.mil/

Another site with information on the

AEF concept that is open to everybody is at:

http://aefc.langley.af.mil/

"As one of AETC's largest wings, Team Lackland has a tremendous impact on the Air Force's warfighting capability," said Captain Moore.

"I would encourage every member of our team to attend the briefings and learn as much as possible about the AEF concept — it's the Air Force's future."

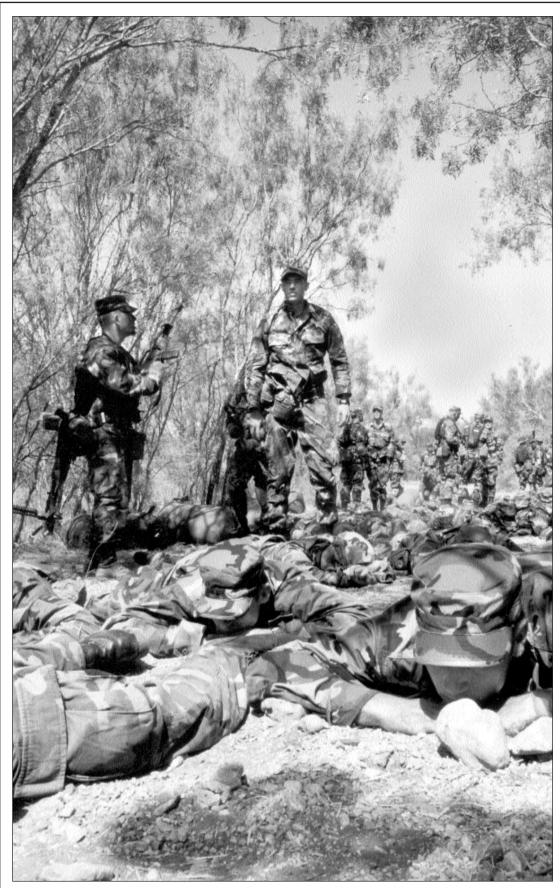


Photo by Gary Emery

You think sarge really lost a contact?

Air Force Reserve Officer Training cadets hug the ground and undergo interrogation after being ambushed by "enemy" troops during an exercise at Lackland Training Annex. The AFROTC cadets spent three days learning combat tactics, air base defense, command and control, and leadership skills. Most of the "bad guys" were security forces personnel from Lackland and Randolph, with a sprinkling of ROTC upperclassmen.

Educators get close look at ROTC field training here

By Capt. Christa D'Andrea

AETC Public Affairs

Higher learning took on a new meaning for 20 college educators who got a first-hand look at the transformation students make from cadet to officer through the Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Air Force ROTC, with headquarters at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., sponsored an educators' tour Aug. 7-10 to Lackland and Randolph AFBs in San Antonio to show them opportunities recent college graduates receive.

"Our objective is to convince them the Air Force is a great place for the best and brightest from their universities to start their professional careers," said Col. Stefan Eisen, AFROTC commander. "This visit will be in direct support of future recruiting in their schools."

Educators came from colleges throughout the South, West and Midwest such as the University of Arizona, San Jose State, Iowa State, University of New Mexico and Texas A&M.

The Lackland tour Aug. 8 included an overview of ROTC field training. Educators observed cadets participating in the Leadership Reaction Course, which

tested their ability to navigate obstacles using leadership and teamwork skills. They attended lunch with the cadets, toured dormitories, watched drill practice and attended a retreat ceremony.

At Randolph, the college professionals met with junior officers who had graduated from the ROTC program and started their Air Force careers. The group also toured flight training and life-support facilities, and spoke with a junior officer panel consisting of a variety of career fields.

Speaking to the panel turned out to be an enlightening experience for the educators. Questions for the company grade officers ranged from "Why do you think colleagues are leaving the Air Force?" to "How do you know which uniform to wear each day?" to "How do you handle a situation you feel is morally wrong?"

"I'd definitely recommend the tour for other educators," said Dr. Rollin Abernethy, associate vice president for academic affairs, University of Wyoming. "As I look back I would say the most important part was speaking to the panel."

From observing the rigors of cadet training to meeting with CGOs, what



Photo by Capt. Christa D'Andrea College educators watch cadets complete an obstacle during a tour of ROTC field training Aug. 8 here.

impressed the educators the most was the commitment and esprit de corps they witnessed.

"The level of dedication of the individuals that I've met, even the individuals

who confess to only coming into the military for a short timeframe with the goal of moving into private industry, is amazing," said Dr. Abernethy.

He added that he doesn't see that level of commitment, or at least doesn't hear it stated as well, in his own system of higher education.

"I do believe it's there, but the Air Force, in this specific case, has done an excellent job of expressing what you do and inculcating that into the individual to do it." he said.

Robert Doolos, university registrar at Louisiana State University, said he was impressed with the pride he saw in the cadets and CGOs.

"I am very, very impressed with what the Air Force has to offer these young men and young women as they enter the pipeline," he said. "It is phenomenal the pride that these people have in this organization. You'll see that sometimes in various units, but I've never seen it so pandemic."

The AFROTC program prepares more than 16,000 officer candidates each year at 143 host universities. This was the second year AFROTC sponsored the educators' tour.

AETC Bases 'smartly' handle hazardous waste

By Olga Purpura-Clark

Air Education and Training Command Public Affairs

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) — Staff Sgt. Willard Yarbro, a vehicle body repair technician at Lackland logs onto his computer and almost instantly receives exactly the right type and amount of data to do his job.

He is a member of an Air Education and Training Command team evaluating new software at Lackland that could soon revolutionize the tracking and reporting of hazardous material for the entire Air Force.

Called SMART, for System Monitoring and Reporting Tool, the new software filters, simplifies and transfers information between hazardous materials, or HAZMAT, systems and their users by individual job specialty.

"But there's more," said Yvette Arguijo, AETC SMART program manager. "It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with or without a network. It's user-friendly, minimizing need for training and, best of all, its interfacing capability with HAZ-MAT systems hides their complexities

showing only the data the user needs."

These and many more features of SMART are drawing high interest Air Force-wide.

"Since we all use the same systems, HAZMAT managers across the Air Force are experiencing the same recurring problems we found during a command-wide assessment," said Ms. Arguijo. "Other major commands are waiting to see the results of our evaluation, which should conclude in October. At that time, and based on the results, which so far look really good, AETC bases will get SMART."

Sergeant Yarbro said he likes the program's flexibility and simplicity.

"It used to take 30 minutes to complete required documentation through the HAZ-MAT systems before I could start bodywork repairs," he said. "Now, it only takes five minutes. I don't have to wade through these other systems to gather data. This program recognizes my logon identity and does it for me. It gathers every piece of HAZMAT data I need on vehicle bodywork repairs and sends it to me. I like it a lot."

Ms. Arguijo said a primary function of

move data between computers, working through a firewall.

- ◆ Information is presented in a form novice users understand. On-screen help and guidance will walk users through the process, keeping training costs to a minimum and allowing untrained users to quickly begin interaction with the system.
- ♦ It gives users control of their own data and can initiate changes, and revoke or reinstate authorizations. These actions create appropriate documents and automatically route them for review and approval. Meanwhile, users are kept informed on document status and notified by a pop-up message when it's approved or rejected.



Photo by Amn. Amanda Currier

Staff Sgt. Willard Yabro, a 37th Transportation Squadron vehicle body repair technician, reaches under a door panel to get a truck window back on track.

SMART is its automation of Air Force Form 3952, a form shop workers use frequently for requesting authorization to use hazardous material. It is one of the most complicated to complete by direct access to HAZMAT systems.

HAZMAT environmental, safety and occupational health personnel also have difficulty tracking and reporting hazardous products usage, disposal and exposures to personnel.

"The process is complicated and excruciatingly frustrating," said Ms. Arguijo.

Because HAZMAT systems do not interface with each other, users access each system and go through numerous screens and menu levels to locate information particular to their need.

"While it gives the appearance of automated documentation, shop users are still forced to process large volumes of paperwork to satisfy the data gathering requirements," she said. Their greatest challenge is inputting information into the systems, she added. Every time data changes, users update each system individually.

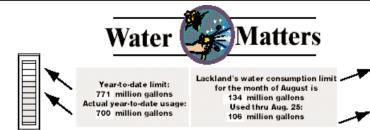
SMART interfaces with the Air Force Environmental Management Information System, the heart and soul of the HAZMAT program, and will soon interface with Command Core System, Air Program Information Management System and Compliance Site Inventories. Data fed through SMART will automatically update every system.

"All of these systems are critical to HAZMAT management," said Ms. Arguijo. "SMART is making the process easier. SMART is not a system or a database. It's a friendly face on existing systems."

Labat-Anderson, Inc. assessed AETC bases, developed the software and will provide command-wide support through implementation.

Get Smart

- ◆ SMART incorporates features of a webtype software interface that is easy to use with on-screen aids and includes e-mail style document handling.
- ◆ Data collected from systems is broken down in parts and distributed to SMART computers, giving users exactly the information they need to do their job; no more, no less.
- ♦ It's a fully distributed system, not dependent upon a single server. Users can route documents to reviewers 24 hours a day, seven days a week, even when other computers are turned off. SMART will resort to sending e-mail to



Rules are in Effect Stage

- Any activity resulting in water waste is prohibited.
 Residents may water twice a week; even number residences may water Tuesday and Saturday; odd numbered residences may water Thursday and Sunday. Base facilities may Saturday; odd numbered residences may water Thursday and sunday, base is water Monday and Friday.

 • Watering is allowed only between 8 p.m. and 10 a.m.

 • New landscaping may be watered until adequate growth is established.

 • Military vehicles may be washed at the wash rack during operational hours.

 • Private vehicles should be washed at a car wash using recycled water.

 • Charity car washes must be coordinated with the 37 CES/CC.

 • Do not wash or rinse walks, driveways, streets or parking lots unless for hereasens.

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Call the Conservation Hotline



at 671-SAVE to report abuses.

Chape

Sacraments course

Catholic Chaplain (Capt.) Elbert Fadallan will conduct an eight-week course on the sacraments of the Catholic Church. The course will be held at the permanent party chapel across from the Lackland BX. The course will be held every Tuesday, 7 p.m., beginning this Tuesday. Call 671-4208 for more information.

Fall Bible Study program

The Lackland Permanent Party Chapel, Bldg. 1528, will begin a Fall Bible Study program Sept. 12, 6 p.m. The following classes will be offered: Genesis, Timothy, Judges, Promise Keepers, Revelations, Ruth and Solomon (couples). A fellowship meal will be offered at 5:15 p.m., prior to the Bible study. All are invited to attend. For more information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Klavens Noel at 671-4208.

Sunday School

Sunday School will begin Sept. 9, 11 a.m., the Permanent Party Chapel, Bldg. 1528. There will be classes for toddlers through adults, as well as a "New Believers" class. Contact Chaplain (Capt.) Klavens Noel, 671-4208, for more information.

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	(1st, 3rd, & 5th Sunday of the month).						
Buddhist	SUNDAY: 3pm, BMT Chapel						
Catholic	WEEKDAYS:						
	11am WHMC Chapel						
	noon Permanent Party Chapel						
	SATURDAY:						
	Confessions, 4:30pm Tech Training Chapel						
	Mass, 5:30pm Tech Training Chapel						
	SUNDAY:						
	Religious Education, 9:30am Perm. Party Chapel						
	ROTC Mass, 8am, Tech Training Chapel						
	Mass, 11am Permanent Party Chapel						
	Mass, 11am WHMC Chapel						
	Spanish Mass, 9:30am Tech Training Chapel						
	Mass, 8am, 9:30am, 11am & 12:30pm, BMT Chapel (5th						
	week and BMT graduates/families for 1230 only)						
	Religious Education, 8am, 9:30am, & 11am, Bldg 5725						
Christian Science	SUNDAY: 1pm, BMT Chapel						
Church of Christ	SUNDAY: 9am, Bldg 5200 (Across from BMT Chapel)						
Church of	SUNDAY: 2pm, BMT Chapel						
Jesus Christ of							
Latter-Day Saints							
Eastern Orthodox	SUNDAY:						
	Confessions, 9:30am, Memorial Chapel						
	Divine Liturgy, 10am, Memorial Chapel						
	Religious Education, 11am, Memorial Chapel						
Eckankar	SATURDAY: 3pm, BMT Chapel						
	(1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the month.)						
Jewish	FRIDAY: Sabbath Eve Service, 5pm, Permanent Party						
	Chapel, Oneg Shabbat follows.						
	SUNDAY: Religious Education, 11am, Permanent Party						
Muslim	Chapel						
Protestant	SUNDAY: 10am, BMT Chapel SUNDAY:						
Protestant	Liturgical Service, 8am, Memorial Chapel						
	ROTC Service, 11am, Tech Training Chapel						
	11am, Tech Training Chapel						
	8am & 9:30am, Permanent Party Chapel						
	Gospel Service, 12:30pm, Permanent Party Chapel						
	Children's Church, 9:30am & 12:30, Perm. Party Chapel						
	9:30am, WHMC Chapel						
	Religious Education, 11am, Permanent Party Chapel						
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Seventh Day Adv.	SATURDAY: 8am, BMT Chapel						
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Family Support

Readiness briefing

Personnel who are deploying or are going on a remote assignment are required to receive a Family Readiness Briefing, conducted Mondays, 10:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m., Bldg.1249. Learn more about the programs and services available to family members. Register for the Hearts Apart Morale Spouses, significant others, or caregivers are encouraged to attend. Contact Tech. Sgt. Fran Richardson, 671-3722, for further information.

Officers PFMP

A mandatory course on Personal Financial Management for officers assigned to Lackland as their first duty station will be held Wednesday, 5, 8-10:30 a.m., in Bldg. 1249. Contact Paula Gradwell, 671-3722.

Sponsorship training

Mandatory sponsorship training is offered Wednesday, and again on Sept. 19, 10-11 a.m., Wilford Hall Medical Center, Room BC25; and Sept. 12 and 26, 1:30-2:30 p.m., in Bldg. 5616, Room 111C. Contact Carla Schoon, 671-0638, to register.

Resume Preparation

Resume classes will be held Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and Sept. 21, 2-4 p.m., in Bldg.1249. Different styles and content of resume writing will be presented. Call Tim Walker, 671-3722, for further information.

Job search

How to Do an Effective Job Search class will be held Thursday, 8-10:30 a.m. The focus will be on the basic tools, skills and methods to start a job search. For reservations, call Mark Dalhquist, 671-

BMT spouse seminar

The BMT spouse orientation, Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Bldg. 7246, is held for family members of graduating basic trainee airmen to give helpful hints to ease transition into the Air Force. For further information, call Paula Gradwell or Steve Mayfield, 671-3722.

IRA Seminar

An IRA seminar will be conducted Sept. 11, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Bldg. 1249, to take some of the confusion out of the choices between traditional and Roth IRAs and their long-term tax advantages. For further information, call Paula Gradwell, 671-3722.

Mutual funds

A mutual funds class, Sept. 11, 4-6 p.m., will be offered to provide information on the different types of funds. If available, please bring a prospectus to class. For further information, contact Paula Gradwell, 671-3722.

TAP workshops

three-day Transition Assistance Workshop will be offered Sept. 11-13 and Sep. 25-27, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Bldg. 1249, to all separating/retiring military and spouses. Items covered include skills assessment, resume preparation, interviewing skills, "dress for success", VA benefits and other topics designed to facilitate a smooth transition from military to civilian life. To sign up for

this workshop, call 671-3722. **Spouse Support Group** The Spouse Support Group will

on an extended TDY learn about

video teleconferencing, Hearts Apart Morale Calls, Car Care Because We Care and other FSC programs. For further information contact Tech. Sgt. Fran Richardson, 671-3722.

Smooth Move seminar

A Smooth Move seminar is being offered Sept. 13, 9-11:30 a.m., in Wilford Hall Medical Center's Portable Classroom 2. Talk with representatives from legal claims, traffic management, TRICARE, housing, EFMP clearance, stress management and relocation assistance about your move. Call 671-0638 for reservations.

Trainee Spouse Forum

An educational forum for spouses of technical training students will be held Sept. 13 and 27, 10-11 a.m., Bldg. 5616, Room 114. Topics include entitlements, TRICARE, legal information, employment, educational benefits, Family Support Center services and the Airmen's Attic. For further information, call Ray Ramos or Monty Marsolf, 671-0037.

Disability Compensation

The Disability Transition Assistance Program, Sept. 13 and 27, 3-4 p.m., Bldg.1249, is held to discuss disabled veteran criteria and benefits. Qualification factors are reviewed. For further information, contact the Transition Office, 671-3722.

Orientation for spouses

The Happy Landings program, slated for Sept. 14, 9-11 a.m., in Bldg. 1249, helps orient new spouses to Lackland AFB, the Air Force and the San Antonio community. Reservations for free child care must be made at least a week in advance. For reservations, call Terryca Fuller, 671-3722.

Federal employment tips A seminar on How to Apply for

Federal Employment will be given Sept. 17, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Bldg. 1249. Contact Tim Walker, 671-3722, for reservations.

Job Interview workshop An interview workshop will be

held Sept 18, 8-10:30 a.m., Bldg. 1249. Learn what questions to expect, answers to common questions, questions that are not allowed and how to respond if asked, what dress is appropriate and 22 ways to strike out on an interview. Contact Virgil Francis, 671-3722.

Job fair preparation A job fair preparation class will

be held Sept. 18, 11 a.m. to noon, Bldg. 1249, to discuss do's and don'ts of attending job fairs. For reservations, call 671-3722.

Marriage preparation The Preparing for Marriage:

Communication workshop, Sept. 18, Bldg. 1249, 1-2:30 p.m., will present aspects of successful dating, effective communication, rules of good listening and dealing with individual expectations of marriage. For reservations and further information, call Art Muraida, 671-3722.

Thrift Savings Plan A TSP seminar for the military will be held Sept. 19, 11:30 a.m. to Bldg. p.m., Information about the choices and limitations of the new TSP retirement supplement will be discussed. Contact Paula Gradwell,

671-3722.

The Preparing for Marriage:

Relationships workshop, Sept. 19,

Bldg. 1249, 1-2:30 p.m., will present tools of establishing a successful and meaningful relationships. For reservations and further information, call Art Muraida, 671-3722.

Single Parent Group

The Lackland Single Parent Support Group will meet Sept. 20, 11 a.m. to noon, at the Lackland Pyramid Chapel. For further information, call 671-3722.

Conflict resolution

The Preparing for Marriage: Conflict/Resolution class, Sept. 20, Bldg. 1249, 1-2:30 p.m., will be an educational forum providing conflict resolution tools and methodologies in avoiding potential conflict in preparing for marriage. For reservations and further information, call Art Muraida, 671-3722.

Bundles for Babies

Bundles for Babies, Sept. 20, 1-3:30 p.m., Bldg.1249, has valuable information for all active duty members and spouses who are parents-to-be or parents of newborns, regardless of rank or number of children in the family. For more information, call Paula Gradwell, 671-3722.

Overseas With Ease

The Overseas with Ease seminar, Sept. 20, 2-4p.m., Bldg. 5616, Room 107, will cover permanent change of station checklist, culture shock, websites, electrical conversion, transformers, what to pack, and more. Representatives from most countries will be present for those who sign up in advance. For details, call 671-0638.

Military Job Fair

The San Antonio Military Job Fair will be held Sept. 26, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Road. The fair is sponsored by the following bases and agencies: Lackland, Randolph, Brooks and Sam Houston. Texas Commission, Workforce Antonio Chamber of Commerce, U.S. Department of Labor & Veterans and Webster University Alumni Association. More than 150 employers and businesses are expected to attend. Web site for employers attending is:

www.taonline.com

For further information call the Transition Assistance and Career Focus programs at the Family Support Center, 671-3722.

Volunteers needed

Family Services, located in Bldg.1249, is in need of volunteers to keep its doors open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteers are needed to work with the loan locker, Airmen's Attic and food closet. Free child care is provided. Contact Tim Walker, 671-3722

Civilian Smooth Move

A Civilian Smooth Move class will be held Sept. 27, 8 a.m. to noon, Bldg. 5616, Room 111C, for any Department of Defense civilian employee facing a permanent change-of-station. Answers to questions on how to arrange shipment of household goods, financial entitlements and available resources will be discussed. To register, call 671-0638.

Consumer Credit seminar

A CCCS representative comes to the Family Support Center, Bldg.1249, Mondays, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is free financial counseling for those who are in debt. Call CCCS, 979-4300, for an appoint-

ment.

meet Sept. 12, 5-6 p.m., in Bldg. Building bridges seminar 1249. Spouses, whose military sponsors are deployed, remote or

Customers can save cash at commisary's case lot sale

By Beth Settle

DeCA Midwest Region Public Affairs

On Sept. 8-9, the Lackland Commissary will join stores worldwide in a massive case lot sale that offers significant savings on already low consumer prices.

Already one of the top two military benefits, the Defense Commissary Agency is taking its mission of sales and savings to the next level. The worldwide case lot sale will feature everything from canned goods to paper goods, and a few items in between.

"We'll have diapers, cereal, juices, soups and health and beauty items as well," said Loren Sperrey Jr., Lackland Commissary store director. "The actual list of sale items is probably longer than the average shopper brings to the store."

According to the latest market basket survey, using the commissary benefit saves shoppers 29.2 percent on their overall grocery basket. Case lot pricing can increase that savings significantly. Participating manufacturers know they will sell a high volume of product in a short time, so they can offer lower-than-normal prices for case lot sales.

"Commissaries have been holding local case lot sales on a store by store basis for years and customers tell us they love them. So we're excited about the possibilities for this worldwide event," said Robert Vitikacs, chief of DeCA's grocery buying division. "We're trying to attract new customers as well, particularly single servicemembers and Guard and Reserve members who might not be using their commissary benefit regularly."

"While shoppers are saving additional money during the case lot sale, we also want them to look around inside their commissary for all the improvements and conveniences we've added," said Maj. Gen. Robert J. Courter, DeCA director. "We always offer a wide range of groceries on sale. When people shop more often they get some great deals. We want our cus-

tomers to know that the commissary isn't just their 'pay day' store — it's their 'every day' store!"

Customers can read more about the case lot sale on the DeCA web site:

www.commissaries.com

And that Ain't All!

Carnival comes to commissary — On Saturday, the Lackland Commissary will feature carnival thrills for the youngsters and financial fun for the grownups — better deals on already low grocery prices.

Open Labor Day — Monday's holiday celebrates the "working stiff," and a dedicated commissary crew will be laboring so that military families can spend their day off stocking the pantry. Make those hard-earned dollars go farther! Shop the Lackland Commissary.



Photo by Ross Day

Izzy Hayes, a Lackland Commissary store worker, lowers a pallet of soda destined for the case lot sale slated for Sept. 8-9.

Education Briefs

Additional MBIB benefit

Beginning May, PL 106-419 provides eligible active duty personnel the opportunity to increase Chapter 30 GI Bill benefits by \$5,400 by making a maximum contribution of \$600. Briefings on the program are conducted every Friday, 9 a.m., Bldg. 5725, Room 153. Additional information is available on:

http://www.gibill.va.gov

VA Top-Up program

Top-Up allows the VA to pay Montgomery GI Bill participants' tuition and fees not covered by Tuition Assistance. The benefit is retroactive for courses starting on or after Oct. 30. Students using Top Up will be charged a proportional amount of their 36 months training time benefits. The charge is computed by taking the amount of the Top Up payment divided by the student's full-time rate of \$650. For example, a student who receives \$400 in Top Up payments will use 19 days of entitlement. Nineteen days of entitlement used is determined by dividing \$400 by \$650 which equals 62% of 30 days (average month) and rounding up to the nearest full day (62% of 30 equals 18.6 days). Websites for more information are:

www.gibill.va.gov/education/News/S1402summary.htm www.gibill.va.gov/education/News/InterimUpdate.htm

VEAP convert to MGIB

Eligible participants must place \$2,700 into their MGIB account within 18 months of making a decision to convert. Briefings are held every Wednesday, 10 a.m., Bldg. 5725; and Fridays, 8 a.m., Bldg. 5725, Room 153. Call 671-2895 for an appointment. Deadline to convert is Oct. 31. If you are unsure of your eligibility, the Education Office can verify your status. Call or e-mail:

37mss.dpe@lackland.af.mil

TA deadline Sept. 10

The last day for Tuition Assistance requests for the fiscal 2001 is Sept. 10. Individuals who have college courses that start in September must process TA requests in the Education Office by Sep. 10. Students using Air Force TA must obtain approval for funding prior to the start date of the class. TA forms can only be completed in the Base Education Office, Bldg. 5725, Room 142.

AFROTC briefing

Desire an Air Force Commission? Learn about Reserve Officer Training Corps opportunities commissioning from Capt. Scott Duhaime, Southwest Texas State ROTC Detachment 840. He will be at Lackland Sept. 7, 2-3 p.m., Bldg. Room 101. Professional Officer Corps Early Release Program (POC-ERP) one-year program, reintroduced in fiscal 2001, will be one of the many ROTC programs discussed. For more information, contact the AFROTC detachment at Southwest Texas State, (512) 245-2182, or the Lackland Education Office, 671-2896. Information is also available at the website:

http://web1.maxwell.af.mil/afoa ts/enlisted/

Base Education hours

The Base Education Flight

hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and on Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Individuals are encouraged to schedule appointments to see a counselor by calling 671-2895.

Education records

The Education Flight is automating education records and returning hard copies to personnel. Request personnel stop by the Education Flight during regular hours of operation to pick up their records. For more information, please contact the Education Center, 671-2895, or e-mail:

37mss.dpe@lackland.af.mil

Commissioning brief

The Base Education Office conducts a briefing on commissioning programs — ROTC, AECP, OTS — every Friday, 8:30 a.m. Call for an appointment, 671-2896.

Visiting College reps

Representatives from the following universities will be available for counseling sessions in Bldg. 5725, Room 142. Please call the university for more information.

University of Texas at San Antonio – Tuesday, and again on Sept. 11, 18, and 19, 9 a.m. to noon. Call 458-4723.

Southern Methodist Univ. Adv. Computer Ed Center - Sept 28, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 348-7689 for an appointment.

Security Hill reps

Representatives from the following universities will be available for counseling sessions in Parrish Hall, Bldg. 2169, Room 239A. Please call the university for more information.

Southwest Texas University — Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. Call Mr. Weathersby, 647-1707.

St. Mary's University — 2nd and 4th Mondays, 9-11:30 a.m. Call Kathleen Worthington, 677-8300

Webster University — Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call Terry Lazarin, 674-0014.

SOAR commissions

The SOAR program, Scholarships for Outstanding Airman to ROTC, is an opportunity for outstanding active duty airmen to receive an Air Force ROTC scholarship. The scholarship pays for college tuition, fees, plus a textbook allowance. Applications are due to the Education Office by Oct. 5. For information, contact the Education Office.

Distance learning

Distance Learning opportunities are accessible to all students from universities throughout the United States and abroad. DL campuses offer academic and technical courses, certification options, continuing education studies, and all levels of degrees from the associate's through the doctorate. DL education may be offered via internet, tele-course, video, CD-ROM, or paper-based correspondence. The Education Center's Student Resource Room provides a listing of over 300 accredited degree program choices and also provides informational resources for hundreds more in every possible discipline. And don't overlook continuing education options. Visit the Education Center, Bldg. 5725.

Computers available

Webster University's computer lab is available to Lackland personnel Monday through Friday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Please call Webster University, 674-0014, to set up appointments.

Enlisted scholarships

The Billy Mitchell Chapter of the Association of Old Crows Educational Foundation is offering grants for the 2001/2002 school year. Foundation grants cover the cost of books and course costs that are not covered by the government.

Enlisted personnel applying for grants must meet certain criteria:

- ➤ Active duty E-4 or above in any branch of service.
- ➤ Enrolled in an education program leading to a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, mathematics or computer science.
- ➤ Enrolled in required courses leading to a service-related associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force degree or comparable degree for members of other military services.

Applications for the fall semester are due not later than Sept. 7. Applications and additional information may be obtained from the chapter's web site at:

www.bmcaoc.org.

For more information, contact Chief Master Sgt. Robert Flores, 977-4791.

At Your Services

	TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Airmen Dining Facilities	LUNCH: Beef corn pie, seafood newburg, veal paprika, peas & rice, po- tatoes, greens, corn beets. DINNER: Yankee pot roast, corned beef, chick- cn, potatoes, black-eyed peas, carrots, cabbage.	LUNCH: Creole shrimp, chicken, Swedish meat- balls, noodles, potatoes, squash, stewed tomatoes. DINNER: Hungarian goulash, fish, BBQ chic- ken, rice, baked beans. veggie stir-fry, potatoes.	LUNCH: Spareribs, chicken breast, fried fish, rice, mac & cheese, broccoli mix, sweet potatoes. DINNER: Grilled steak, beef stir-fry, turkey nuggets, rice pilaf, potatoes, French green beans, com.	LUNCH: Beef pot roast, jerk chicken, sweet & sour pork, rice, potatoes, green beans, succotash, gravy. DINNER: Chili mac, beef manicotti, cannelloni, fried chicken, potatoes, glazed carrots, French style peas.	LUNCH: Vcal parmigia- na, teriyaki chicken, sal- mon loaf, rice, hushpup- pies, cabbage, potatoes. DINNER: Meat loaf, turkey a la king, chicken, rice, okra & tomato gum- bo, potatoes, green beans.	LUNCH: BBQ ham steak, turkey & noodles, beefball stroganoff, potatoes, corn, glazed sweet potatoes. DINNER: Stuffed pork chops, BBQ spareribs, chicken, corn, cauliflower combo, potatoes, rice.	LUNCH: Fried catfish, five-spice chicken, rice, potatoes, veggie mix, peas, candied sweet potatoes. DINNER: Veal & sauce, roast pork loin, Cornish hens, rice, corn combo, carrots, pinto beans, gravy.
Gateway Club Bldg. 2490 645-7034	BEEF & SHRIMP FEAST	Soup & Chili Every Saturday Noon -2 p.m. \$2 per guest Red Snapper & Scallops \$12.95 Hill Sports Club College Football 11:30 a.m.	BINGO At Medina Annex Bldg. 118 Sunday - 6 p.m. Monday - 7 p.m. Thursday - 7 p.m. Thursday - 7 p.m. Champagne Brunch 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p. m. Hill Sports Club Pro Football 11:30 a.m.	LABOR DAY Club Closed	EARLY BIRD SPECIALS Steak, Chicken or Fish \$6.75 New York Strip 2 for \$19.00 1 for \$ 9.95 Kelly Field Club All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Monday-Friday 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Mongolian BBQ Adults-\$5.95 Kids-\$4.50	Prime Rib 2 for \$24.95 1 for \$ 12.95 Every Thursday Social Hours 5-7 p.m. TuesFri.
Family Programs Family Support Center 671-3722 Family Advocacy: 292-5967	BMT Spouse Seminar Bldg. 7246 2:30-3:30 p.m.	Closed	Closed	Closed Labor Day	Family Readiness Briefing 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.	1st Duty Station Officers PFM0P 8-10:30 a.m. Sponsor Training WHMC BC25 10-11 a.m. Resume Preparation 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	How to Do an Effective Job Search 8-10:30 a.m.

Cable Schedule

Lackland's cable TV access channel offers announcements and informational programs for people living in base housing or dormitories, and is also available in community areas. Subscribers to Time Warner Cable can tune 24 hours a day to Channel 21. Air Force Television News is shown at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 4 and 7:30 p.m. weekdays. Air Force TV News runs on Time Warner Channel 20, Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. "TRICARE, Your Military Health Plan," is shown immediately after

the first and last showings of Air Force Television News.

During exercises on Lackland, the cable access channel is the place to turn for information regarding threat conditions and exercise announcements.

Today

9 a.m. — Parenting and Teen Sexuality

11 a.m. — Interviewing

1p.m. — Super Sitters Basics

3 p.m. — Stop Struggling With Your Child

Monday

9 a.m. — Start the Job Search

11 a.m. — Young People and Stress

1 p.m. — Networking

3 p.m. — Juggling Your Work and Family

Tuesday

9 a.m. — Effective Job Search

11 a.m. — Young People and Self-esteem

1 p.m. — Feeling Positive

3 p.m. — Latch Key Families

Wednesday

9 a.m. — Writing Resumes & Cover

Letters

1 a.m. — Young People and AIDS

1 p.m. — Strategy

3 p.m. — Stranger Danger

Thursday

9 a.m. — Interviewing With Confidence 11 a.m. — Challenge of Alcohol and Other Drugs for Teens

1 p.m. — Writing

Random Notes

Road construction

A portion of Billy Mitchell Boulevard located between Westover and Growden roads will be limited to one-way traffic on Sept. 7 and 10, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., for the purpose of installing new conduits under the roadway. This installation is part of the construction of the new fuel maintenance facility. There will be flagmen directing traffic along each end of the one way stretch of road. Watch for construction vehicles entering or leaving the site and drive carefully. For details, call 1st Lt. Ryan Brady at 671-1531.

Dining-in needs guides

The committee organizing the fourth annual Junior Enlisted Dining-In, slated for Nov. 2, will hold auditions Sept. 13 for dining-in officials. Tryouts will be held at the Lackland AFB NCO Academy, Bldg. 10634, Room 123, observing the following schedule:

Madam and Mr. Vice, 9-10 a.m.

Anthem Singer and Sergeant at Arms, 10-11 a.m.

Chaplain, 11 a.m. to noon.

Auditions are open to all those in grades of E-6 and below. For more information, call Master Sgt. Christina Bonifacio, 671-2136, or Tech. Sgt. Rita Habersham, 977-5346

Junior Enlisted Picnic tickets

Tickets for the Junior Enlisted Appreciation Day Picnic, sponsored by the Lackland Top 3, are now on sale. The event is slated for Sept. 21, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and

features music, food, games and door prizes. Tickets are \$1 and are available from unit monitors. For more information, call or e-mail one of the following points of contact:

MSgt. Anna Towns 37 TRW, 671-2610

anna.towns@lackland.af.mil

SMSgt. Carolyn Byrd, HQ AIA/XP, 977-2124

carolyn.byrd@lackland.af.mil SMSgt. Jennifer Kurth, 59 MDW, 292-

jennifer.kurth@59mdw.whmc.af.mil
MSot. Michael Connell, LNCOA, 671-

MSgt. Michael Connell, LNCOA, 671-240

michael.connell@lackland.af.mil

Thrift Shop slates 'Bag Sale'

The Lackland Thrift Shop will hold its next "Bag Sale" Sept. 8, 9:30 a.m. until noon. Consignments will be accepted 9:30-11 a.m.

The shop's regular weekday hours are Tuesday and Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Consignments are accepted on these days, 10 a.m. to noon.

Got some extra time on your hands? Consider becoming a Lackland Thrift Shop volunteer. Time spent helps raise funds for some very worthy causes. The shop is located at 6329 Barnes on the training side of the base. Call 671-3600 for more information.

Leadership School graduation

Airman Leadership School Class 2001F will graduate Sept. 26 at noon at Mitchell Hall. Anyone wishing to attend must RSVP to the ALS staff, 925-1233, no later than

Sept. 11. For details, call Staff Sgt. Veronica Haskin, 925-1233.

NCO Academy graduation

The Lackland NCO Academy Class 01-6 will graduate Thursday, 10 a.m., at the Bob Hope Theater. Due to space limitations, all guests are asked to be in place not later than 9:50 a.m. Chief Master Sgt. William A. Milligan, AETC command chief master sergeant, will present the diplomas. Call Staff Sgt. Jamie Gerdes, 671-3292, for details.

Fiscal close-out meeting

There will be a fiscal close-out meeting Thursday, 8-10 a.m., in the IAAFA auditorium, Bldg. 7356, Room 129. All 37th Training Wing and associate unit resource advisors and managers are required to attend. For more information, call Sonya Saldana, 671-2595.

TRICARE briefings schedule

On Oct. 1, two new Department of Defense healthcare programs will begin — TRICARE For Life and TRICARE Plus. These two programs are designed to expand the benefits currently available to military members, especially those retired and over age 65. Here is the briefing schedule:

Tuesday — Air Force Village I, 9 a.m. (Residents only)

Wednesday — Air Force Village II, 9 a.m. (Residents only)

Sept. 6 & 18 — Lackland Base Theater — 11:30 a.m. & 2 p.m. (seating is limited to first 250 people).

Call 292-3706 or 292-7848 for more

briefing information. For additional information on TRICARE for Life and TRICARE Plus, call 888-DOD-LIFE.

Local AFA birthday ball

The Alamo Chapter of the Air Force Association is sponsoring the 2001 Air Force Birthday Ball, Sept. 15 at the Gateway Club. This year's theme is "The Korean War: A Lasting Legacy." Cost is \$30 per person. The evening features a three-course meal of tenderloin of beef and salmon steak. Guest speaker will be retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Robinson Risner. Deadline for ticket sales is Sept. 7. For tickets call:

Lackland AFB — Joan Lopez, 671-0761 Wilford Hall — Dewey Mitchell, 292-7487

AIA — Hilda Ragan, 977-2971

Change of command

The 59th Surgical Operations Group will hold a change of command Sept. 19, 9 a.m., in the Gateway Club. Col. Stephen Jennings will relinquish command to Col. Miguel Montalvo. Call Master Sgt. Frank Taylor, 292-3450, for more information.

At the Movies

Today: "Kiss of the Dragon" (R), 2:30 p.m and 8:30 p.m.; Cats & Dogs" (PG), 5:30 p.m.;

Saturday: "Final Fantasy" (PG-13), 2 p.m.; "Legally Blonde" (PG-13), 5 p.m.

Sunday: "Legally Blonde" (PG-13), 2 p.m.; "Final Fantasy" (PG-13), 5:00 p.m.

Monday: "Cats & Dogs" (PG), noon; "Legally Blonde" (PG-13), 3 p.m.

Colts buck Warhawks from playoffs

By Wayne Amann

Talespinner staff writer

Lackland's inability to close reared its ugly head, and the Warhawks were left hanging theirs. A pair of RBI doubles in the eighth inning highlighted a three-run rally as the Colts edged Lackland, 9-8, knocking the Warhawks from the San Antonio Men's Senior Baseball League championship playoffs Aug. 22 here.

It was deja vu all over again. Three days earlier the Warhawks dropped their postseason opener, 7-4, when the Pirates rallied for four runs in the ninth. (Complete 18-and-Over Division results on page 20)

"It's hard to take, especially when you're winning going into the last inning," lamented Warhawk left fielder Paul Greco. "We couldn't put them away."

Lackland and the Colts were evenly matched during the regular season. Each team won once. A third meeting ended in a tie. The Colts outscored the Warhawks 24-23 in those games.

The Ponies were off and running in the first inning. A single, and infield error and a walk preceded a delayed double-steal giving the Colts a 2-0 lead.

A pair of singles and another infield miscue victimized Lackland starter Jake Collins in the second making it 3-0 Colts.

The Warhawks answered in their half when Marq Taylor singled home Keith Crim who doubled to the wall in left.

A bases-loaded infield out produced a 4-1 Colts advantage in the fourth. Travis Haywood got that one back in the same frame with a double to the left center field gap, scoring Taylor who walked.

Warhawk third baseman Scott Bayles turned in the defensive effort of the game in the fifth. With Colt runners on first and second, Gary Wisdom lined a bullet between third and short. Bayles dove to his left deflecting the ball off his glove into short left. His cat-like reaction saved a run as the man on second held up at



Photo by Robbin Cresswell

Lackland leadoff man Paul Greco rounds second as Colt shortstop Shane Schuscach tracks the ball at Warhawk Field. Greco reached base a season-high five times in the game, with two singles and three walks.

third. The bags were left loaded.

A fired-up Lackland club responded by batting around in the home fifth. Bayles led off with a single. Greco walked and Walt Hidalgo laid down a bunt single to load the bases. The Greco-Hidalgo tandem reached base eight times between them in the game.

"Walt and I have been doing that all year," said Greco. "If we get on base at least half the times we're up, it gives us a chance to win."

Collins reached on an error to keep the fifth going. An infield safety by Crim set the table for RBI singles from Taylor, Roy Gutierrez and Rob Santiago. Lackland seized momentum and the lead 7-4. It didn't last long.

Larry Hood relieved Collins in the

errors, a walk and a stolen base that brought the Colts to within 7-6.

Collins greeted reliever Jav Hudson with a sacrifice fly to left in the bottom half to up the ante 8-6. It stayed that way until the eighth, the last inning, due to the three-hour time limit.

Colt cleanup hitter Jack Wisdom doubled into the right center field gap scoring Hudson who walked. Wisdom took third on the misplayed throw back to the infield. Gerald Trevino's sac fly plated Wisdom. Ray Martinez followed with a bunt single. The third Wisdom brother, Pat, then drilled an RBI double into the left field corner for the winning margin.

Lackland threatened in the eighth when closer Trevino walked the bases loaded.

sixth and was burned by two singles, two
The rally died when Taylor flew out to

"We keyed on getting walks," said Warhawk coach Kevin Ullrich. "That fly to right was what we wanted. It just wasn't a seeing-eye hit."

Lackland now looks forward to the San Antonio MSBL Texas Cup regional tournament. The Labor Day weekend event features 30 teams playing at 14 diamonds around town.

The Warhawks four-game slate, all at Warhawk Field, begins Saturday, 8:30 a.m. against the San Antonio All-Stars, followed by a 12:30 p.m. date with the League City Astros. Lackland battles the defending tourney champion Houston Mudcats Sunday, 8:30 a.m., then the Austin Cubs at 4:30 p.m.

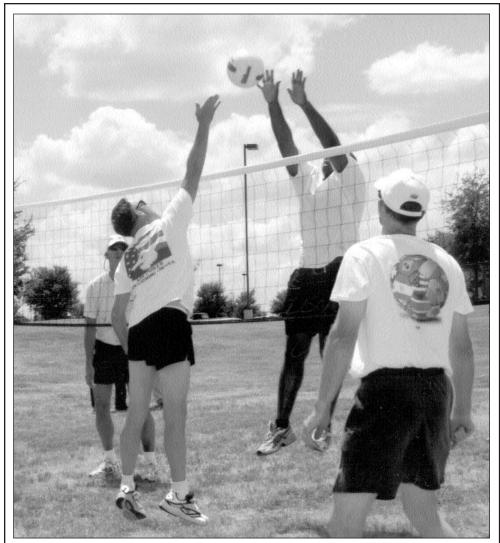


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Chiefs ground Eagles

Chief Master Sqt. Mike "Walt" Walton skies with a two-handed block on Col. Buster Horlen's shot during the Chiefs/Eagles volleyball match at the Gateway Inn north field Aug. 24. The Chiefs downed the Eagles 15-10, 15-9 to sweep their bi-annual sports competition. The Chiefs took the softball showdown earlier this year.



Photo by Yolanda S. Hunter

Triple-threat pedals champion

Thomas Gibbons pedals through the second leg of the Lackland Hispanic Heritage Week Triathlon Saturday, on his way to winning the Male 30s crown. It took Gibbons 52 minutes 31 seconds to swim 300meters, bike 11 miles and run a 5K course. His time topped all individual competitors. The second annual event, organized by the HHW Committee, drew 81 tri-athletes in 11 age brackets and team divisions. It's designed to promote fitness, foster community involvement, promote positive local publicity and raise money for scholarships. This year's edition raised over \$550 for college-bound students, for a twoyear total of more than\$1,200.

Sports

Arena

Fitness & Sports Office - 671-2554 Fitness and Sports Director- 671-4850 Varsity Sports - 671-2632 Intramural Sports - 671-2725 Chaparral Fitness Center - 671-2401 Gateway Fitness Center - 671-1348 Medina Fitness Center - 671-4477 Warhawk Fitness Center - 671-2016 Youth Center - 671-2510

Free Texas Open tickets

A limited number of free tickets to the Professional Golf Association Tour's Westin Texas Open are available to military members. The tournament will be played Sept., 24-30, at the La Cantera Golf Club, Interstate 10 and Loop 1604. Tickets can be obtained at the Information. Tickets & Tours (ITT) offices at Arnold Hall, Wilford Hall Medical Center and Air Intelligence Agency, plus the Lackland AFB and Kelly Annex bowling centers, and from unit first sergeants. Military members are also eligible to volunteer to work the event for a benefits package worth about \$400. Organizers are looking for 1,200 volunteers. Interested volunteers should call the tourney office, 341-0823.

Golf instructor needed

The Gateway Hills Golf Course is looking for a professional golf instructor. If interested call Bud Gentle, 671-2517, or visit the clubhouse

Varsity coaches sought

Lackland is recruiting coaches for men's and women's basketball and volleyball teams. For more information, call Steve Reichert at the varsity sports office.

Bowl hog wild

Bowlers who roll at the Fort Sam Houston Bowling Center, now through Oct. 31, can enter to win a 2002 Harley Davidson motorcycle. No purchase necessary. For more information on the "hog," a custom bowling ball, other prizes and how to participate, visit the center in Bldg. 2521, at the corner of Patch and Schofield Road.

Golden fun run

The 433rd Airlift Wing's 50th Anniversary Family Day 5K Fun Run and Fitness Walk will be Oct. 13, 10 a.m., at the Bennett Fitness Center, Kelly Annex. Packet pickup and early registration is Sept. 8, 9 and 15, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the 433rd AW, Bldg. 908, Lackland. Proof of age required with registration form. Proceeds benefit the Care and Shelter Program and 433rd AW Wing Advisory Council. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Lorie Semien, 925-3784, or visit the web page:

www.alamowing.com

AETC marathon

Runners are being recruited to represent the Air Education and Training Command team in this year's Air Force Marathon. Interested runners should call the Fitness and Sports Office.

Air Force marathon

Online registration is available for runners participating in the fifth annual U.S. Air Force Marathon Sept. 22 at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. This year Ekiden relay teams and marathon teams register together. To register visit the marathon web page http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil and click "register information." Payment is by credit card only. A relay or marathon team captain must provide the total team payment on one credit card with the name, address, phone, age, weight and e-mail address for all team members. Entrants providing a valid e-mail address will receive a confirmation e-mail message within two weeks of registration. Confirmation cards will be sent through the U.S. Postal Service to those not providing a valid e-mail address. Entry deadline is Wednesday. Changes to team composition will not be made after Sept. 12. For more information call 1-800-467-1823.



Scoreboard

San Antonio MSBL 18-and-Over Division **Playoffs**

Aug. 13

Pirates 18 Tigers 3 (7 innings, 15 run rule)

Aug. 15

Devils 6 Colts 4

Aug. 18

Devils 7 Tigers 4 (Tigers eliminated)

Aug. 19

Pirates 7 Warhawks 4 Indians 12 Colts 2

Aug. 22

Colts 9 Warhawks 8 (Warhawks eliminated)

Aug. 24

Indians 3 Pirates 2 (13 innings)

Aug. 25

Colts 9 Devils 8 (Devils eliminated)

Pirates 3 Colts 2 (13 innings) (Colts eliminated)

Aug. 26

Indians 7 Pirates 4 (Indians win tournament)